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| **From:** | mapa-board@googlegroups.com on behalf of Cole Harrison |
| **To:** | MAPA Palestine/Israel Working Group; MAPA Board |
| **Cc:** | William Ruhm; sonia dettmann |
| **Subject:** | [MAPA board] TIME-SENSITIVE Mass Against HP: Request for Emails to Cambridge city councilors |
| **Date:** | Thursday, April 12, 2018 2:15:43 PM |
| **Attachments:** | MAHP Short Report.pdf<br>Mass-Against-HP.pdf |

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Dear Working Group and Board,

MAPA's Board endorsed the ***Mass. Against HP*** campaign last night at the request of the working group. The website statement has been updated to include this decision: http://masspeaceaction.org/boycott-divestment-and-sanctions/ Information about the campaign is attached to this email.

The proposal that Cambridge join the HP boycott will come up before the Cambridge City Council on Monday, April 23. If you are a Cambridge resident, please contact Cambridge City Councilors and ask them to support it. Also, please attend the hearing on April 23. Ask other Cambridge residents to do likewise. The "Israel right or wrong" groups are lobbying, and the resolution is contested. .
Below is a call to action by campaign organizer William Ruhm.

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A crucial update on the Mass Against HP (Cambridge, MA based BDS) campaign and how you can help: In the past week, Cambridge City Councilors who have pledged to support the resolution have been facing some pressure from the opposition, specifically from the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) and the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC).

It is therefore particularly important that you send a personalized email to the City Councilors now! They need to hear YOUR reasons for supporting MAHP.

Please write a brief email telling them (talking points at the end of the doc):

1. Who you are and your history in Cambridge. What other issues have you fought for?

2. Why passing the resolution is important to YOU.
   - Do you care about immigrant rights?
   - Do you care about international law?
   - Do you care about incarcerated people?
   - Do you care about the ethical use of technology?
   - Are you a Jew who believes that Palestinians should be treated humanely?
   - Do you care about Cambridge's long history of standing on the side of justice (South Africa, El Salvador? Saudi Arabia?)
   - Other?

3. Why it is important for Cambridge to be on the right side of this issue.

Personal emails matter. Make yours short and to the point (four to six sentences). Mention that (in your own words if possible), *it is important to you that the city councilors vote with their conscience, and take a stand, on the issue to be discussed on the 23rd. Don't mention "resolution" in the email for now.*

Finally, if possible, add your address and phone number at the end of the email to highlight that you live in Cambridge.

Send your emails to:

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This resolution would require the City of Cambridge to stop purchasing from Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) and Hewlett Packard Incorporated (HP Inc) until these companies fully terminate their support for violence against and denial of rights to Palestinians, immigrants, and people targeted by the U.S. prison system.

Right now we need you to show your support for this resolution. There are lots of reasons to support it.

- Cambridge has a proud history of being on the right side of history in the struggles against South African apartheid, for justice in El Salvador and, just a few weeks ago, against human rights violations in Saudi Arabia.
- BDS is a time-honored tactic in non-violent struggles for justice. It leverages economic pressure as a means to achieve peaceful change.
- This is a matter of urgency. Hewlett Packard technology has a role in supporting Israeli attacks on peaceful demonstrators participating in the March for Return. Hewlett Packard technology is used to regulate every aspect of Palestinian lives: where they live, work, travel, move; who they marry, talk to, and are friends with. It is used to track immigrants in this country and to operate U.S. prison systems.
- This campaign targets the use of technology in enforcing discrimination and human rights violations. It is does not target one country, one group of people or one religion.

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"Radical simply means grasping things at the root." -Angela Davis

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